

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2218
ANSWERED ON:06.08.2001
INVOLVEMENT OF NGOS STUDENTS IN TREE PLANTATION ACTIVITY
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal under consideration of the Government to utilise the services of Non-Governmental Organisations and students to launch a movement for tree plantation in the various States of the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI T. R. BAALU)

(a) & (b) Ministry of Environment and Forests operates a Grants-in-Aid Scheme to Voluntary Agencies under which financial assistance is provided to Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) only for taking up afforestation activities. Funds are provided under the scheme for raising saplings, plantation work etc. as per the approved cost norms and guidelines of the scheme. Allocations under this scheme are not made state-wise, but on case-by-case basis. Details of funds provided to NGOs, state-wise, so far in the Ninth Plan are given in the Annexure.

ANNEXURE

Annexure in respect of parts (a) and (b) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2218 due on 6.8.2001 regarding Involvement of NGOs Students in Tree Plantation Activity

Statement showing the financial assistance provided to NGOs, state-wise, so far in Ninth Plan under the Grants-in-Aid Scheme to Voluntary Agencies of the Ministry of Environment and Forests.

STATE No. of NGOs to whom projects Total Funds provided
 were sanctioned under the
 Scheme so far during the
 Ninth Plan

(Rs. In lakhs)

Andhra Pradesh	64	208.06
Arunachal Pradesh	7	41.47
Assam	-	-
Bihar	22	62.97
Chattisgarh	-	-
Goa	-	-
Gujarat	2	8.20
Haryana	-	-
Himachal Pradesh	4	12.56
Jammu & Kashmir	4	19.51
Jharkhand	1	2.50
Karnataka	37	128.65
Kerala	3	12.60
Madhya Pradesh	4	12.76
Maharashtra	-	-
Manipur	24	94.65
Meghalaya	1	1.09
Mizoram	-	-
Nagaland	34	130.75
Orissa	4	14.45
Punjab	-	-
Rajasthan	1	2.50
Sikkim	1	1.00

Tamil Nadu	20	46.06
Tripura	-	-
Uttar Pradesh	23	89.76
Uttaranchal	2	6.25
West Bengal	20	42.37

Total 278 938.16